

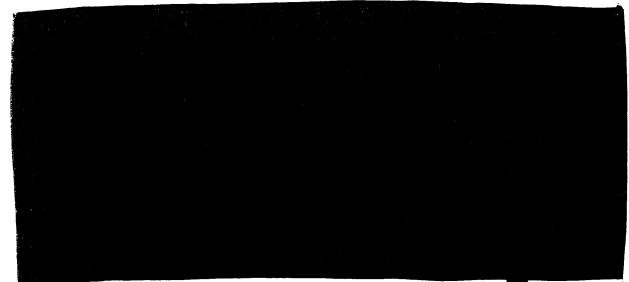


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Highlights of sanctions-related developments over the past two weeks include:



Libyan dissidents claim Tripoli's intelligence service abducted Mansur Kikhia, a Libyan oppositionist and US resident, in Cairo in mid-December. If true, it would be the first act of Libyan terrorism since 1990. p. 9

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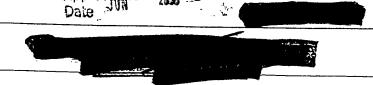
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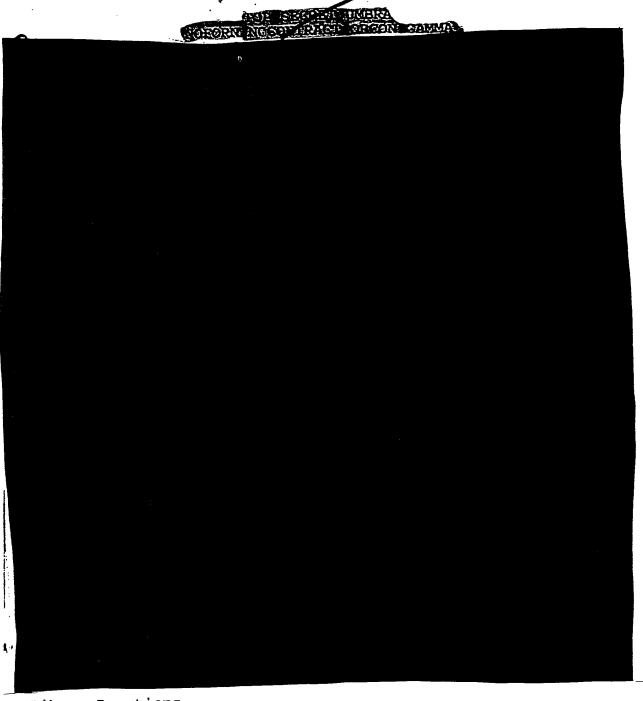
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Libyan Reactions

Qadhafi vowed at a public rally on 12 December to crush exiled opponents and called for the assassination of former Foreign Minister Abd-al-Munim al-Huni. Libyan dissidents have told the press that Qadhafi's agents abducted prominent dissident and US-resident Mansur Kikhia in Cairo about the same time.

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COMMENT: If Libya is behind kikhia's disappearance, it would not be the first time Tripoli has moved against him, but it would be the first confirmed operation against a Libyan dissident overseas since 1987 and the first act of terrorism since 1990. If true, the abduction coupled with har her Libyan rhetoric toward the



West in recent weeks marks a more belligerent Libyan stance on the Pan Am 103 impasse.

Qadhafi asked the Pope, to intervene on his behalf in the Pan Am 103 affair in early December, the Vatican.

International Reactions

France and Belgium both rejected Libyan proposals in late November to try the two Pan An 103 suspects in France and Belgium respectively

The French judge investigating the UTA bombing also rejected a Libyan offer to cooperate on that issue. The judge did not view it as a serious offer, citing its lack of specificity and the publicity given to it by Tripoli.